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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DEPUTY DIRECTOR/INTELLIGENCE

How is this for a scheme to solve a substantial chunk of our problem:

1. Suppose you have a paper of considerable urgency;
2. Suppose that after the Board has met with agency representatives, the Board summons the IAC deputies for a clean-up session;
3. Suppose that as a result of this clean-up session, all issues are resolved to the satisfaction of the Board and the deputies;
4. Suppose the Board can convince the Director and the deputies their chiefs that the paper is sound and that full agreement has been reached;
5. Suppose that the next regular IAC meeting is several days away;

6. If all of these suppositions are correct, why could not an urgent paper be cleared without the IAC itself formally sitting on it? Note: This procedure could not apply in the nature of things to crash papers and it need not apply to papers of a very low degree of urgency. Even so, it might apply to as much as 40% or 50% of the estimates and could extend, if the Director desired, to all but super-crash publications, e.g., up to 80-85% of the papers.

7. If this procedure were carried to the point where 80-85% of IAC clearance were achieved outside of formal IAC meetings, there is the possibility that the amount of business being brought before the IAC would be dramatically reduced, that the meetings could be set on an ad hoc basis, and that accordingly the prestige of the institution would suffer. Obviously, the procedure need not, and, indeed, should not be carried to this extreme. It would appear to have potentialities, however, if used as outlined above.

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